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1. DURING CALL JUNE 20 BY MINISTER OF INDIAN EMBASSY ERIC GONSALVES, EA DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY STEARNS BROUGHT UP QUESTION OF FUTURE OF ICC IN LAOS AND SAID HE FELT ICC COULD STILL DO MANY USEFUL THINGS IN SPITE OF CANADIAN WITHDRAWAL. WITH ONLY INDIANS AND POLES LEFT, STEARNS THOUGHT SPECIAL OBLIGATION WAS PLACED ON INDIA TO ASSURE ICC OPERATIONS WERE EVEN-HANDED.

2. GONSALVES WONDERED HOW AN INDO-POLISH ICC WOULD WORK AND WONDERED IF THE LAOTIANS REALLY WANTED ICC TO CONTINUE. STEARNS REITERATED THAT HE THOUGHT ICC DID HAVE A ROLE AND THAT IT COULD BE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PARALYSIS AND FORWARD MOVEMENT TOWARD A REAL POLITICAL ACCOMMODATION IN LAOS. IN THIS CONNECTION HE EXPRESSED USG CONCERN OVER PATHET LAO FAILURE TO RELEASE EMMET KAY AND, MORE GENERALLY, OVER
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TOUGH AND CONTENTIOUS LINE PATHET LAO WERE PURSUING ON MOST

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INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL ISSUES. GONSALVES SAID HE WOULD TELL
ALL THIS TO HIS FOREIGN MINISTRY WHEN HE GOES BACK ON HOME
LEAVE NEXT WEEK. KISSINGER

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